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MEMORANDUM TO: Colonel David T. Lambert  
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Raleigh, North Carolina

Attention: Major C. Raymond Williams

SUBJECT: Racial Situation, Fayetteville, 13 June 1963

1. The following report was made to this office by Sergeant R. F. Williamson:

Demonstrators from Fayetteville State Teachers College began demonstrations today at 4:00 P.M.. Approximately 300 students were involved in this demonstration. At approximately 4:00 P.M. a "team" of approximately 16 students stationed themselves at the Carolina Soda Shop which is located on Hay Street next to the Carolina Theater. Others were at the theaters, except the Miracle which has a restraining order to show cause, etc., and at restaurants. At approximately 4:05 P.M., Mrs. Bill Crawley came out of the soda shop to gather up papers which were left beside the Soda Shop and adjacent to the sidewalks. It is alleged that as she started to pick up the papers a Negro female demonstrator pushed her and as Mrs. Crawley raised up, she pushed back the demonstrator. The demonstrator is alleged to have slapped Mrs. Crawley in the face after the pushing incident. Mrs. Crawley is approximately 48 years of age. This incident was witnessed by Captain Melvin of the Fayetteville Police Department. Captain Melvin "grabbed" the girl to place her under arrest and at this time another male demonstrator, Willis McLeod, Fayetteville Teachers College and a native of Dillon, South Carolina, grabbed Captain Melvin by the arm. This was witnessed by two police officers who immediately grabbed McLeod and placed him under arrest for assault and resisting arrest. McLeod, including this arrest, has been arrested three times. He is supposed to be the leader of the demonstrators. The female demonstrator was also arrested for assault. The two were taken